

SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE



DuWayne Gregory, Presiding Officer

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PRESIDING OFFICER GREGORY RECOGNIZES CONTRIBUTIONS OF LONGTIME AMITYVILLE RESIDENT



Presiding Officer Gregory presents a proclamation to Reverend Robert L. Burgess, community leader and founder of the Grace Community Church in Amityville, at his 90th Birthday celebration on Oct. 10.

Amityville, NY – Suffolk County Legislature Presiding Officer DuWayne Gregory recently helped celebrate the 90th birthday of Reverend Robert L. Burgess, longtime community leader and founder of the Grace Community Church in Amityville, at the Crest Hollow Country Club in Woodbury.

Throughout the 1960s and 1970s Reverend Burgess served as a civic leader in the Town of Babylon, working to protect the rights of African Americans and other minorities. He opened the Grace Community Church in 1984 and has been serving the needs of the North Amityville community ever since.

“I was honored to be able to share a moment with Reverend Burgess as he celebrated his 90th birthday surrounded by friends, family and parishioners,” said Presiding Officer Gregory. “I would like to thank Reverend Burgess for his decades of selfless service to the North Amityville community. He has many reasons to celebrate a full and blessed life.”

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